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CHEROKEE FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM EAGLEBURGER

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LIBYAN DEVELOPMENTS

REFERENCE: CAIRO 11295

1. WE HAVE CONSIDERED POINTS RAISED PARAS 3 AND 4 OF
REFTEL. OBVIOUSLY, WE DO NOT WISH TO BE IN THE POSITION
OF CENSORING DATT REPORTS AND HAVE NO INTENTION OF DOING
SO. ON THE OTHER HAND DATT MUST RECOGNIZE EXTREME
SENSITIVITY THIS WHOLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS SPECULATION
THEREON.

2. IN LIGHT OF THESE CONSIDERATIONS YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO
PERMIT ARMA'S COMMENT TO BE TRANSMITTED TO DIA. WITH
REGARD TO THE BROADER QUESTION ABOUT WHAT THE DAO'S OFFICE
MAY SEND ON THIS GENERAL SUBJECT, WE WILL BOW TO YOUR JUDG-
MENT. HOWEVER, WE ASK THAT YOU PERSONALLY REVIEW EVERY-
THING THAT GOES OUT ON THE SUBJECT AND THAT YOU EMPHASIZE

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THE EXTREME CARE WITH WHICH THE ENTIRE QUESTION MUST BE

HANDLED. THIS IS AT LEAST AS TRUE WIT; REGARD TO THE
"COMMENT" AS IT IS TO THE FACTS. DAO SHOULD BE ASKED TO
RESTRICT DISTRIBUTION AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, CERTAINLY NOT TO
EXCEED DIA, USCINCEUR, STATE, AND CIA AS YOU SUGGEST. KISSINGER

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